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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

1911-12

( Police )

**File No.** 102-11

**Serial Nos.** 1-13

# Papers Filed.

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SUBJECT.

Exemption of the orderlies of temples under Imperial management from the duty of night watch.

| PREVIOUS REFERENCES. | LATER REFERENCES. |
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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

( Police )

NOTES.

File. No. 102-11

FILE HEADING.

Exemptions of the archaks of temples under Mirasi management from the duty of night watch.

From

The archaks of the Mirasi temples in the Bangalore & Kolar Dts. thro' the Revenue Secy.

No. 1420 Dated 19-10-11 Received 28-10-11

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BRIEF ABSTRACT OF LETTER.

Forwards for disposal a petition from the archaks of the mirasi temples in the Bangalore & Kolar Dts. praying that they may be exempted from keeping night watch in their villages.

NOTES AND ORDERS.

It is represented that this duty of night watch seriously interferes with their duty in temples such as Doddaballapur &c. during night; that if they neglect the former they will be liable to prosecution by the

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police and that if the latter is negligent they will, on complaint from the inhabitants be liable to punishment in the Mayavaram Deptl. Subd. for orders with a copy of the Village Police Rules.

B.S. (S7) 2-11-11. SN(11) 2-11-11

2) Rubp draft asking for a report from the Deputy Commissioner.

Chir 4/11/11

B.S. (S7) 7-11-11. SN(11) 8/11/11.

3) Draft subd.

4) Why not send a Copy of the petition to Deputy Comrs & the Dy. Supdt?

5) Our short summary will not explain clearly the grievances of the Ambalars.

8/11/11.

6) Draft in the above lines

subd. B.S. (S7) 14-11-11.

7) Issue & submit to (T.S. 142 for info).

14/11/11.

Chir

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General and Revenue Secretariat.

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To
The I. G. P. no. J 1775 Dj 14.12.11
forwards the petition for opinion.

To The Dy. Comrs of Dts. no. J 1776-83 Dj 14.12.11
= calls for their opinion in the matter. 12nd

8) Subd. to the 1st Councillors for information.
B. G.
G.J 14.12.11.
SW(11)
15/12/11

15/12/11

9) Seen
16/1/12

16/1/12

10) Subd to 2nd Councillor.
SW(11)
16/1/12

11) Seen
16/1/12

fms
17/1/12

3. From the D.C Kolar no 4736/1868 Dj 17/1/12 22nd Dec 1911
States that Archaks may be exempted from their share of night watch

From the D.C Hassan no 277-278 Dj 6-1-12
States that it is desirable to exempt Archaks but

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| | considers that if they are exempted others may claim similar privileges and therefore proposes that only archaks of Mysore institutions may be exempted. |
| 5 | From the D.C Chitaldroog no 3005 dy 12-1-12 States that it is neither desirable nor advantageous to exempt archaks. |
| 6. | From the D.C Mysore no 3055 dy 15 Feb 1912 States that a general exemption is not called for and those that have any duty on their two days may be allowed to send Substitutes. |
| 7 | From the D.C Bangalore no S 3605 dy 30th March 1912 States that Archaks may be exempted from the duty of night-watch. |
| 8 | From the D.C. Tumkur no 481 dy 15 April 19 States that he is not in favour of granting the exemption prayed for |
| 9. | From the D.C. Shimoga no 338/J62 dy 30 May 1912 States that he agrees with the views of the Superintendent of Police that a general exemption is not desirable and that deserving cases may be specially treated. |
| 10 | From the D.C. Kadur no 389 dy 27 March 18 States that he is not in favour of |

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of exempting archak from the night watch duty.

11 From the D.G of Police no 2035/205 dt 6-12-13 States that in an ordinary village an adult has rarely more than 4 calls/ayan, that the duties of a temple archak are not such as to prevent him from taking his turn, that he is permitted to send a substitute if necessary, and that an exemption if granted would be an inconvenient precedent and that therefore the old established practice may be continued.

12) Subd. Only the Deputy Comrs of Kolar (Mr. Srikanteswara Aiyar) and of Bangalore (Mr. Kumaraswami Naick) are for exempting the archaks from the duty of night watch. The D.G. of Police and the other Deputy Comrs are against the proposal.

Subd

RSA 27/5/14 VLL

13) Draft accepting the Dy's recommendation may be put up.

SDN 27/5

14) Subd. with a draft order & a draft endorsement:

B.G. 6/6/14. VLL Secy) SDN 8/6

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| 15) | |
| 15) | No draft-order may be approved. Secret member. Dhuranghlas 19/6 S/L |
| 16) | Approved 22/6 Weh Draw 23/6 |
| 17) | Issue 17 25/6 |
| 12. | To the Agt Police & Dy Comrs of Hs— nos. J 69-77. d. 10.7.14. Declines to exempt arrahaks from keeping night-watch in their villages. |
| 18) | Draft endorsement to the petrs is already in the file. Has been approved & sent for orders by the 2nd Member. 20.7.14. Order issued. |
| 13 | To the Petitioners. Nos. J 169 dy 22.7.14 Intimates the above. |

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Police
Secy

Read with the private Secretary's no 14320/3 dt 19-10-11.

14.10.11

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Serial No. 2

*Diary No. of letter replied to*

No.

General and Revenue Secretariat

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To The D.G. of Police × The City Courts & DCs.

Sir,

Date of issue 14-12-11

Signed by W. D. Wijayawardena

I am forwarding herewith a copy of a petition dated the 28th September 1911 received from the residents of the village of Kumbalawa in the Bayagama Korale North praying that residents of Kumbalawa under Mayurapura arrangement may be exempted from the duty of guarding the Kachcheri and the Courts, I am directed

over.

SUBJECT.

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be pleased that Lord Inverclyde
favoured with your opinion
in the matter.

I have &c

SA

for Secretary

BS. 07/11/11

*List of enclosures,*

*Copied by* AE 16/11/11

*Examined by* SW

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DIARY No 9167.

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Office of the Deputy Commissioner,
Kolar District.

Dated Kolar, the 22nd December 1911.

From

C. Srikantesvara Aiyar Esquire B.A.,B.L.,
Deputy Commissioner, Kolar District.

To

C. S. Balasundaram Iyer Esquire B.A.,
Offg. Secretary to the Government
of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,
General and Revenue Departments.

S i r,

With reference to your letter No.J.1776-83/ Police.102-11-2 dated 14th December 1911, forwarding for an expression of my opinion, a copy of a petition from certain Archaks, praying that the Archaks of temples under Muzrai Management may be exempted from the duty of night watch in their villages, I have the honour to state that they deserve to be exempted, the inconveniences represented by them in their petition being real, because the insistence upon them to take their share of night watch would interfere with their legitimate work in service times.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Assistant Commissioner
For Deputy Commissioner
(Absent from Station).

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From
P. A. V. Wetherall Esqr,
Deputy Commissioner,
Hassan District

To
C. S. Balasundaram Iyer Esqr
Offg Secretary to the Govt of H.H
H. H the Maharaja of
Mysore Genl & Rev Dept
Bangalore

Dated 31-12-11

Despatched 6-1-1912

Received

General No. 277-278

No. 3 gp

Enclosure No. Nil

Sir,

With reference to your letter No. J 1776-83 Police 102-11-2 dated the 14th Instant I have the honor to state that the Archaks of temples under Mauzrai management may in my opinion be exempted from attending night watch in villages, but I am afraid the difficulty may arise when Purohits and persons engaged though not in regular worship in assisting and doing other service in the temples, come forward

to claim the same privilege of exemption from night watch.

2. To avoid this difficulty I would suggest that a list of Archaks of the Nowrai institutions who alone are to be given the privilege of being exempted from night watch may be required to be prepared in each Taluk and after approval by the Deputy Commissioner, extracts may be sent to each Police station or outpost concerned for information & frequent reference by local Police officers. By this arrangement others in any way connected with the temples will not be able to plead exemption on a general order which may issue on the subject.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

Deputy Commissioner

Hassan District.

T. Misc Dy No 105?

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From The Deputy Commissioner &
District Magistrate
Chitaldrug District

To The Secretary to the Govt of
H.H. the Maharaja of Mysore,
General and Revenue Departments
Bangalore

Dated 12.1.12

Despatched 13.1.12

Received

General No. 300
Nos.

Enclosure No. —

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Opining that it is not advisable to exempt the Archaks of Muzrai Institutions from night watch duty.

This belongs to Dy III
May this be sent there.

The Dy. 16/1/12

Yes 16/1/1912

Manfd & Brandreth

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17.1.12

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DIARY No. 1830

Office of the ~~District Magistrate~~,
Chitaldroog District.

Dated Chitaldroog, 12th January 1912.

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SECTION: Pol
FILE No. 102-11
ANSWER No. 5

From

K. Chandy Esquire B. A.,
District Magistrate,
C h i t a l d r o o g.

To

C. S. Balasundaram Iyer Esquire B. A.,
Officiating Secretary to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,
General and Revenue Departments,
B a n g a l o r e.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No. J.1776-83/Police 102-11-2 dated 14th December 1911 forwarding for my opinion a copy of the application of certain Archaks of muzrai temples etc in re their exemption from night watch duty, I have the honor to state as follows:-

2 The night watch in the villages generally commences only after 9 or 10 P. M. and by that time the worship in the temples will have been over. Further a man's turn of night watch in a village generally comes only about once a month.

3 If an Archak has to go out to another village for worship there, his failure to attend the watch in the 1st village will not be an illegal omission and in the case of very respectable persons, a concession will be shown by allowing them to send in substitutes.

4 I do not therefore think it necessary nor even advisable to exempt these from night watch duty, it being a most efficacious measure to prevent crime.

I have the honor to be,
S I R,
Your most obedient servant,
K Chandy
District Magistrate,
Chitaldroog District.

S.V.

No. 30 Diary No.

Etc. No.

SECTION Police
FILE NO. 102-11
DATE

OFFICE OF THE Deputy Commissioner
MYSORE DISTRICT,

Dated Mysore Camp 15-16 February 1912.

FROM

M. Kantaraj Urs Esq., B.A.

DEPUTY COMMISSIONER, MYSORE DISTRICT.

To

C. S. Balasundaram Iyer Esq., B.A.

SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF HIS
HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE,
GENERAL AND REVENUE DEPARTMENTS.

SIR,

In reply to your letter No 1776-83 police 102-11-2 dated the 14th December 1911 forwarding for opinion a copy of a petition dated the 28th September 1911 received from the Archaks of the Muzrai Temple in the Bangalore and Kolar Districts praying that the Archaks of temples under Muzrai management may be exempted from the duty of night watch in their villages, I have the honor to state that a general exemption to all Archaks irrespective of the time of day when they perform worship does not seem called for.

2 Only such Archaks as have to attend to worship at nights may be exempted for the periods during which they have

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From

H. Hayavadana Rao Esq., Ba

*Deputy Commissioner,*
*Mysore District.*

To

C. S. Balasundaram Iyer Esq., Ba

Offg *Secy. to Govt. of Mysore,*
*Gen & Rev. Depts.*

Dated

Despatched 15th February 19

Received

General No. 305

No.

Enclosure No.

Submits report re night watch by Archaks.

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have to to attend substitutes, if
available, being sent for duty.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,

your most obedient
Servant.
[illegible]
Deputy Commissioner.
Bg. Mysore District.

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S. 360

Pol 102-11-7

Deputy Commissioner's office,
Bangalore District,
Bangalore, dated 30th March 1912.

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From,

B. J. Krishnaswami Naik Esq^r, B.A.,
Deputy Commissioner
Bangalore District
Bangalore.

To,

C. S. Balasundaram Pillai Esq^r B.A.,
Offg. Secretary to the Government
of Mysore,
General and Revenue Departments,
Bangalore.

Sir,

Adverting to your letter no. J. 1776-83 - Police 102-11-2 dated 14-12-11, forwarding a copy of petition from the Archaks of the Sringeri Temples, for an expression of opinion regarding their exemption from the duty of night watch in their villages, I have the honour to state that, as the services of Archaks are required, at stated times, in the temples to which they are attached, it is not unlikely that their turns at the village night watch interfere with their duties in the temples. Further since the Archaks in all the Sringeri institutions are held responsible for the temple Jewels etc in their custody, it is only fair that they should not be burdened with other duties. For these reasons,

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4/4/12 Nil

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From

The Deputy Commissioner
Bangalore dist
Bangalore

To

The Secretary to the
Govt of Mysore,
Gen & Rev. Depts
Bangalore

Dated 30th March 1912.

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Received

General No.

S. No. 360

Enclosure No.

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Expresses an opinion in the matter of exempting Archaks of Temples from the Village night watch -

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I am of opinion that such persons as have to conduct regular services in temples may be exempted from the duty of night watch-

I have the honour, to be,
Sir,
your most obedient Servant

Deputy Commissioner

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Office of the Deputy Commissioner,

Tumkur District,

Police/102-11-8 Dated 18th April 1912.

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From

M. Shama Rao Esq. M. A.,

Offg: Deputy Commissioner,

Tumkur District,

T U M K U R.

To

C. S. Balasundaram Iyer Esq. B. A.,

Offg: Secretary to the Government of

His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,

General and Revenue Departments,

Bangalore.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No.1776-83/Police 102-11-2 dated 14th December 1911 forwarding a copy of a petition dated 28th September 1911, received from the Archaks of the Muzrai temples in the Bangalore and Kolar Districts, praying for exemption from the duty of night watch in their villages and calling for my opinion in the matter, I have the honor to forward herewith a copy of my letter No.678/J dated 8th instant, to the Inspector-General of Police, on the subject and to state that for reasons therein given, I am not in favour of granting the exemption asked for.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

M. Shama Rao

Offg: Deputy Commissioner.

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From
The Offg: Deputy Commissioner,
Tumkur District,
Tumkur.

To
The Secretary to the Govt. of Mysore,
General and Revenue Departments,
Bangalore.

Dated 13th April 1912.

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General No. 481.
No.

Enclosure No. One.

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Forwards a copy of of letter No.678/J dated 8th instant, to the Inspector-General of Police about the duty of night watch in the Mufassal temples and states that he is not in favour of granting the exemption called for.

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From The Deputy Commissioner,
Tumkur District,
T u m k u r.

To The Inspector-General of
Police in Mysore,
B a n g a l o r e.

Dated 8th April 1912.

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Received

General No. J.678
No.

Enclosure No.

Sir,

Adverting to your letter No.2449/P.C.153 dated the 23rd December last forwarding copy of petition from the Archaks of Muzrai temples praying for exemption from the duty of night watch in their villages and calling for my views in the matter, I have the honor to state that I am not in favour of the exemption asked for. The same subject was mooted by Mr. Ramanuja Iyengar of Gubbi, one of the members of the Representative Assembly of this District in the year 1906, when it elicited the reply that there was no need to make any change in the existing rules which had been in force for long time past and had worked well. (Vide subject No.62 published on page 19 of the Proceedings of the Representative Assembly,1906). No new circumstances have arisen now to make any change and grant exemption to the Archaks. On days when their turns



may

for night watch may occur, if the Archaks happen to have any works of their own in their temples, which contingency is very rare, other arrangements can easily be made to find substitutes. In this connection I forward herewith copy of letter received from my Superintendent of Police expressing his views in the matter.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Sd/. M. Shama Rao

Offg: Deputy Commissioner.

" C O P Y ".

M. Shama Rao

Offg: Deputy Commissioner.

MR

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No: 338 Ecn/.
J.62

Pol 102-11-9.

Deputy Commissioners' Office
Shimoga District
Camp Mysore, dated 30 March 12.

From.

K. Srinivasa Row Esquire
Deputy Commissioner
Shimoga District

To. K. R. Srinivasa Iyengar Esquire M.A.
Secretary to the Government of Mysore
General & Revenue Departments
Bangalore.

Sir,

In reply to your letter no: J. 1776-83 Pol. 102-11-2 dated the 14th December 1911 calling for my opinion on the subject of exempting the archaks of temples under Muzrai management from the night watch duty in their villages, I have the honor to forward herewith copy of a memorandum on the subject from the Superintendent of Police, Shimoga District, and

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The Deputy Commissioner
Shimoga District

To

The Hon'ble Secretary to Govt.
General and Revenue
Departments
Bangalore

Dated

Despatched 30 May 1912.

Received

General No. 338
No. J. 62.

Enclosure No. 1.

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With reference to No:
J 1776-83 Rob: 102-11-2
dated the 14th December 1911,
furnishing opinion on the
subject of exempting the
archaks of temples under
Muzrai management from
the night watch duty.

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and to state that I generally concur with the views expressed by him.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

R Sinclair

for Deputy Commissioner
Shimoga District

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Memorandum

With reference to the Secretary's letter No 1776-83 Police 602 - 11 - 2 of the 14th December 1911, calling for opinion about ensuring the Archaks of temples under Muzrai management from the duty of night watch in their villages, I have the honour to state that the night watch system is enforced only in those villages which are not municipalities. The term of serving night watch in an average village will generally be once in two months, or at

at longer intervals 20
Hence an adult person
will have to take his
turn of watch about
six times in the year.

2. The mutt-
Institutions may be
divided into two
classes viz (1) major
Institutions in which
Puja etc is performed
daily and (2) minor
Institutions in which
Puja is performed
periodically.

(a) Major Institutions
are generally to be found
in large towns which
are as a rule
municipalities, the residents
where of are exempted

from

the night watch system
Post where a few of
these exist in other
villages except on
days of special worship
and utsavams on
account of important
feasts like the Dasara,
Sivaratri, Pongal, &c.
or on car festivals
the Puja is done daily
by the Archak in the
early part of the morn-
i.e. between 7 and 8 P.M.
and the Archak can
therefore attend to other
work after that.

(b) In the more
important Institutions
Puja will be generally
done during daytime
only, and in such other
Institutions

Institutions as are situated in out of the way places the puja is done periodically that is once or twice a week or at even still longer intervals. The Archaks of these temples will therefore be free to attend to other duties in the night.

3. The Patels, who are the authorities to depute people for night watches, are no less interested in the worship & observances in the village temples and they have been in the habit of entrusting the Archaks or other temple

temple servants from the Kaval duty on days of special utsavams in which they would be engaged till late in the night. Moreover such special utsavams cannot take place without the help and cooperation of the village people for holding torches, playing music, beating drums and carrying utsavams and the like. Even people so engaged do attend to night watch if it happens to be their turn after the utsavams are over. There is not therefore

therefore any reason
why Archaks and
other Subordinates should
not do the same as
such days for the
protection of their
own as well as
temple property.

Cases of prosecution
of Archaks for failure
to attend night watch
under the above said
circumstances are very
rare.

In Considering
the question of exempting
Archaks of Mirasi
Institutions, the case
of other Subordinates
including menial Servants

attached

attached to such institutions and whose presence at the worship mawlad ceremonies, and observances in the night is to be enforced and that of musicians, chairs, pesh kawas of musicians, makeans and Jargas (which are also endeared by the Government in the musical department) who will have to keep vigil in their institutions for attending to prayers at different hours of the night — especially in the months of Muharam and Ramzan cannot be lost sight of. An

Execution

exemption granted
to one set of mirzai
servants is likely
to lead to the application
by others for a like
privilege.

I am therefore
of opinion that it
is not desirable
to grant any general
exemption from naval
duty in the case
of Arabs or any
other servants of
mirzai institutions.
To avoid their being
prosecuted indiscriminately
I think it would
be enough if the
Patel of the village
who

who is the right
authority to prescribe
the hours of duty
and enforce the
watch, be authorized
to excuse the attendance
from night watch
on the citied days
of such of the Arabaki
and other Servants
of Muzrai Institutions
as are likely to be
actually engaged in
religious duties till
late in the night
on account of
special observance
Puja, Prayer &c.
This may about
the

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the redress sought for by the petitioner in person.

(Sd.) Ponnuswamiah
Addl. Superintendent of Police,
Shimoga.

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Deputy Commissioner
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Kadur Deputy Commissioners Office

Dated Chikmagalur 27-3-1913.

Pol 102-11-10

From

A. Subramanya Iyer Esq. B.A.

Deputy-Commissioner

Kadur District

To

K. N. Srinivasa Iyengar Esq. B.A.

Secretary to Government

Miscl, Gen & Rev. Department

Bangalore.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No: 1776 -83 / Police 102-11-2 dated 14th December 1911 forwarding a copy of petition from the Archaks of Muzrai temples praying that they may be exempted from the duty of night-watch in their villages & calling for my opinion on the matter, I have the honor to forward herewith a copy of my letter No: 2633 dated yesterday addressed

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From

The Deputy Commissioner
Kaira District

To

The Secretary to the
Govt. of Bombay
Genl. & Rev. Depts.

Dated 27-3-1913

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Received

General No. 389
No.

Enclosure No. one

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Reports on Schools
of mistletoe

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SECTION Gol
FILE No. 102-11
SERIAL No. 19

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to the Inspector-General of Police
in answer to a reference from him on
the subject and to add that as stated
therein, I am not in favour of exemp-
tions arcahs from night watch
duty

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your most obedient Servant

Deputy Commissioner
NS Kaira District

Kadur Deputy Commissioner's office

Dated Chikmagalur 26th. March 1912.

From

A.Subramanya Iyer Esq.B.A.,

Deputy Commissioner

Kadur District.

To

C.Srikantesvara Aiyar Esq.B.A.,B.L.,

Inspector-General of Police in Mysore,

Bangalore.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No.2499/P.C.153 dated the 23rd. December 1911 forwarding copy of petition from the Archaks of Muzer- temples praying to be exempted from the duty of night watch in thei villages and requesting my opinion in the matter, I have the honor t state that I am not in favour of any exemptions in the existing rul and practice.

According to the village Police rules the number of watchmen shall not exceed, one to every thirty houses in the village of whi the Archak's house may be one. Any exception in favour of the Ar in a village of 30 houses would go to leave the village without night-watch as the Archak's house has to be omitted for the pur of the village Kavel . The duties of an Archak of a Muzerai tem are not such as to prevent him from rendering service of night and also he is at liberty to depute anybody to take his turn o night-watch which d

Kadur Deputy Commissioner's office 31

Dated Chikmagalur 26th. March 1912.

From

A.Subramanya Iyer Esq.B.A.,
Deputy Commissioner
Kadur District.

To

C.Srikantesvara Aiyar Esq.B.A.,B.L.,
Inspector-General of Police in Mysore,
Bangalore.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No.2499/P.C.153 dated the 23rd. December 1911 forwarding copy of petition from the Archaks of Muzerai temples praying to be exempted from the duty of night watch in their villages and requesting my opinion in the matter, I have the honor to state that I am not in favour of any exemptions in the existing rules and practice.

According to the village Police rules the number of watchmen shall not exceed, one to every thirty houses in the village of which the Archak's house may be one. Any exception in favour of the Archa in a village of 30 houses would go to leave the village without night-watch as the Archak's house has to be omitted for the purpose of the village Kavel . The duties of an Archak of a Muzerai temple are not such as to prevent him from rendering service of night-watc and also he is at liberty to depute anybody to take his turn of t e night-watch which d

the night-watch which does not fall on him every day. Further any such concession in favour of Archaks of Muzerai temples may give rise to similar claims by the Archaks of private temples and others who consider the village night-watch a tedious and inconvenient duty.

As the night-watch is for the safety of the entire village every resident thereof is expected to render his quota of services needed for the common purpose.

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your most obedient servant.

(Sd) A. Subramanya Iyer

Deputy Commissioner
Kadur District.

To
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Deputy Commissioner
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OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR-GENERAL OF POLICE IN MYSORE,

Camp Kadur, *Dated ~~Bangalore~~,* 6th December 190 1913.

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FROM

C. Srikantesvara Aiyar Esquire, B.A., B.L.,

*Inspector-General of Police in Mysore.*

To

K.R. Sreenivasiengar Esquire, M.A.,

*Secretary to the Government of H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore,*
*General and Revenue Departments.*

SIR,

Adverting to your letter No.J.1755/Police 102-11-12 dated the 14th December 1911, forwarding for opinion a petition from the Archaks of Muzrai temples in the Bangalore and Kolar Districts, praying for exemption for duty of night watch in their villages, I have the honor to state that the night watch system has been in force since the days of the British Commission in non-municipal villages, and has been found most useful and effective in guarding the villages at nights.

2. In an ordinary village, each adult man gets his turn to keep watch perhaps once in three months, or even at longer intervals, so that he has no more than 3 or 4 calls, in a year, to do a small communal duty in the interests of his own village.

3. The duties of a temple Archak are not such as to prevent him from doing this night watch, once in a way, inasmuch as if on any particular day he is called upon to attend to his duties at the temple which does not permit him to attend to the former, he can conveniently arrange to have the night watch done on that day by a proxy.

4. The exemption prayed for by the Archaks, if granted will create an unwholesome distinction, giving room for a

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From

*The Inspector-General of*
*Police in Mysore.*

To

*The Secretary to the Govt. of H. H.*
*the Maharaja of Mysore,*
*Gen. & Rev. Depts.*

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preceedent to other classes of people in the villages who might also eventually claim the privilege, which it would be very inconvenient to meet. I would therefore let well alone and not relax a wholesome well established practice.

5. In this connection, I would also invite reference to subject No.62 of the Dasara Representative Assembly of 1906 and the reply of Government thereto, published on page 19 of the Proceedings of the Assembly for 1906.

6. The petition referred to is herewith returned.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Inspector General of Police.

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Petition dated the 28th September 1911 from the archaks of the Mugrai temples in the Bangalore and Kolar Dts. praying

Date of issue 10.7.14

Signed by Mr C. Venkata Rao

ORDER THEREON.—No.

that they may be exempted from keeping night watch in their villages.

2. The following communications from the Dy. Comrs. of

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Letter no. 4736-186 dated the 22nd Dec. 1911 from the Dy. Comr., Kolar Dt.

Letter no. 277-278 dated the 6th Jan 1912 from the Dy. Comr., Hassan Dt.

Letter no. 300 dated the 12th January 1912 from the Dy. Comr., Chikka-ballapur Dt.

Letter no. 305 dated the 15th Feb 1912 from the Dy. Comr., Mysore Dt.

Letter no. 360 dated the 3rd March 1912 from the Dy. Comr., Bangalore Dt.

Letter no 481 dated the 13.4.12 from the Dy. Comr., Tumkur Dt.

Letter no. 338-362 dated the 30th May 1912 from the Dy. Comr., Shimoga Dt.

Letter no. 389 dated the 27th March 1913 from the Dy. Comr., Kadur Dt.

3. Letter no. 2035-206 dated the 6th December 1913 from the D.S.P. Police in Mysore.

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Govt do not see sufficient reason to exempt Archaks ~~and pujaries~~ from keeping night watch in their villages.

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Dated 19/6 Jon For Secretary.

To

The I.G. of Police in Empore.

The City Comm. of Pol.

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